

Tender Comrade

Billy Bragg

What will you do when the war is over, tender comrade?
When we lay down our weary guns
When we return home to our wives and families
And look into the eyes of our sons? What will you say of the bond we had, tender comrade?
Will you say that we were brave as the shells fell all around us?
Or that we wept and cried for our mothers and cursed our fathers
For forgetting that all men are brothers? Will you say that we were heroes
Or that fear of dying among strangers
Tore our innocence and false shame away? And from that moment on deep in my heart I knew
That I would only give my life for love
Brothers in arms in each others arms
Was the only time that I was not afraid

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